

**Developmental Disabilities Council
Policy & Law Committee Minutes**

May 10, 2019

Friendly's Restaurant, 350 Dove Run Centre Drive Middletown, DE 19709

9:30 am – 11:30 am

Members Present: Rick Kosmalski (Chair), Maitri Campbell, Bill Powell, Daniese McMullin-Powell

Members Absent: Terri Hancharick, Nancy Lemus

Staff Present: Stefanie Lancaster

I. Call to Order, Approval of Agenda and Minutes – The meeting was called to order at 9:48 a.m. Stefanie Lancaster requested to add one item to the agenda regarding the Disability Pride Day recommended Scope of Services. With that addition, the agenda was approved as submitted. Daniese McMullin-Powell provided some recommended edits to the discussion regarding the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). With those recommended edits, the committee voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes.

II. Review of position statements – recommendations of edits needed to each

- 1. Assisted Suicide** – Members present reviewed the draft of the revisions recommended by Daniese to the Developmental Disabilities Council (DDC) Assisted Suicide Position Statement. The DRAFT was approved by the committee. This item will be added to the DD Council's July meeting agenda for full Council's discussion and vote.
- 2. Community Living** – Maitri Campbell and Terri Hancharick are working on bringing back each of their recommended edits to the DDC's current Community Living Position Statement. This item will be added to the June P&L Meeting agenda for review and discussion.
- 3. Subminimum wage-** Maitri Campbell and Nancy Lemus are working on bringing back each of their recommended edits to the DDC's current Subminimum Wage Position Statement. This item will be added to the June P&L Meeting agenda for review and discussion.

Daniese stated that she will begin working on the Housing Position Statement and will bring recommended edits to the next meeting for review and discussion.

III. Discussion/review of DRAFT legislative tracking document – Stefanie Lancaster shared the document developed to track this year's 150th General Assembly bills that the DDC, in conjunction with State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD) as well as the Governor's Advisory Council for

Exceptional Citizens (GACEC), are tracking. It was requested that a summary document listing the bill number and title be developed as a “cover page” to the full document for this committee to review as well as for the full Council. A summary will be provided by the next Policy & Law Committee meeting.

- IV. Other Business From the Group** - Stefanie Lancaster discussed the Disability Pride Day recommended Scope of Services. As discussed at the May Council meeting, the full Council requested that this committee revise the scope to remove references to DDC paying for entertainment as entertainment is an unallowable expense per our federal granting agency.

Once revisions have been made, full Council voted to delegate authority to the Executive Committee for approval to proceed with the recommended scope with Government Support Services (GSS) to get this RFP posted. The committee recommended the following revisions be made.

- a) Alter to reflect the event taking place in one location – preferably in central Delaware.
- b) Remove the adapted carnival booths, games activities.
- c) Add wording to state that the Council will partner with organizations in our network such as GACEC, SCPD, The Arc, etc. to potentially provide financial support for the conference to assist with funding entertainment for the event. Specific wording was decided to be delegated to Kristin Harvey (DDC staff) to develop to reflect this request.

- V. Next Meeting Date** – The next meeting date is scheduled for Friday, June 14th at 9:30 a.m. at Friendly’s Restaurant in Middletown.

- VI. Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.